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Local News

Paw Paw and Vicinity

E. J. Kirby of Covert was in Paw Paw last Monday.

Miss Elva Packer returned July 4th, from a trip to Chicago.

Mrs. MacLogan of Battle Creek is a guest at the C. C. Chappell home.

Attorney T. J. Cavanaugh was in Benton Harbor on business last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Lee entertained her brother Will Holt from Lansing this week.

Mesdames Charles Summy and Lewis Jacobs were Kalamazoo visitors on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Chappell of Niles were guests of Paw Paw relatives on the Fourth.

Miss Esther Stevenson will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith in Big Rapids next week.

Ed Finley and family of Hartford were in Paw Paw on Sunday last, and called on friends here.

Mrs. Louise Thayer and daughter Miss Martha were guests of Benton Harbor friends for the week end.

Drain Commissioner Charles Ashley of Bangor and C. M. Taylor of Coloma were in Paw Paw on business last Tuesday.

Father O'Neil of Dowagiac was in Paw Paw on Monday to assist in the "Forty Hour Devotion Service" at St. Mary's church.

The Misses Xenia and Martha Mason are enjoying a visit at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Mason.

Mrs. F. F. Amburn and little daughter of Peoria, Illinois are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Peterson and two children Leroy and Fayette of Chicago are guests this week at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. N. Cole.

Miss Josephine Van Auker and Master Wesley Young have been spending the week in South Haven, the guests of Dr. Frank Young and wife.

Joe Carroll and wife of Grand Rapids were calling on Paw Paw friends last Sunday. They are spending the summer in Lawrence, their former home.

H. C. Waters and family motored to Hopkins station July 4th, and spent the day at the home of Wm. Robert's, a friend of the family and a former employee at the store.

The many friends of Mrs. Neil Engel are pleased to learn that she has recovered from her recent operation at Borgess Hospital sufficiently to be able to come home. She will soon be around again as usual.

It is reported that the Charles Duncome business interests in Keeler have been sold to N. F. Simpson and son. According to the report, the business will be continued at the store, and a new bank started.

There will be a dancing party at True's Hall, Reynolds Lake this Friday evening, and every Friday night thereafter until further notice. Music by Perry's orchestra. Everybody invited and a good time is assured.

The I. O. O. F., Royal Neighbors and Modern Woodmen have planned a patriotic meeting at the Woodman Hall in Glendale on Friday evening of this week to raise money to purchase a service flag for Glendale. A good time is assured and it is a worthy object. Everybody is invited.

Twelve of the neighborhood ladies gathered at the home of Mrs. Etta Young last Monday to remind this estimable lady that she had reached another milestone in life's journey. A delightful afternoon was spent, and several gifts left to remind Mrs. Young of the event. The host surprised the guests by preparing a fine supper to which all did ample justice.

The Division Base Ball team at Camp Custer terminated its existence last Sunday. This team has met and defeated some of the strongest professional teams of the country, and much credit for the teams strong showing is due to the excellent coaching of Jud Hyames. Jud is a Van Buren county boy, and has played base ball on many occasions in Paw Paw. He was athletic director at the Western State Normal in Kalamazoo and resigned to enlist in the army. Lieutenant Mark Chaffee of local base ball fame was the regular catcher of the strong Division team. The boys will soon be at the front "Over There."

The Willis Clapp family and guests spent the Fourth at Three Mile lake.

Harold Hathaway has accepted a position as teacher in the Almena schools.

Miss Nettie Richmond has gone to Levering, Michigan to be with her father.

Erastus Cone of Bloomingdale spent a part of this week with Paw Paw friends.

Mrs. Wandall and two grand daughters are guests of her daughter Mrs. Fred Overacker.

Rev. C. H. Heaton, left on Tuesday for Camp Taylor to commence his training course for army service.

There will be a meeting of the O. E. S. next week Wednesday evening for work. A good attendance is desired.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Sheldon and Miss Marie spent a part of last week in Lansing, the guest of Mrs. Sheldon's sister.

Mrs. Orissa Markillie and nephew George Jenkins of Manton, Michigan spent a part of last week at the home of her son, Glenn Markillie.

Francis Shafer was home from Detroit Sunday for a forty-eight hour furlough. He spent the day with his parents at the cottage at Three Mile lake.

There will be a Communion service at St. Mark's Episcopal church next Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Wilkins of Dowagiac will preside.

Mrs. Helen Sheldon passed away Tuesday afternoon after a long and painful illness. She has been a resident of this village for many years, and had a host of friends who will mourn her loss.

Miss Margaret Cole returned Monday from a week end house party at the home of Miss Hazel Decker in South Haven. She visited at the home of her cousin Mrs. Al Wauchek in Gobleville enroute home.

W. J. Wheaton of Lansing has been the guest of his father, M. C. Wheaton and sister at the cottage at Three Mile Lake this week. Mr. Wheaton is proprietor of a big job printing office in Lansing and at one time was superintendent of state printing. He learned his trade years ago, in the Courier office in this village.

James Ayers is home for the summer vacation. He was a freshman at the Northwestern University last year, and followed this with a months military training at Fort Sheridan. He is but nineteen years of age, but had the honor of being one of a few to reach the "A Grade."

Mrs. W. J. Warner and daughter Miss Jean, and Mrs. C. L. Young and daughter Miss Charlotte were in Hartford on Thursday to attend a Musical. Miss Jean and Miss Charlotte had the honor of furnishing a number on the program, playing a piano duet. Their musical instructor Miss Irene Lane, accompanied them.

Paw Paw township is still behind in its quota of War Saving Stamp sales. Some of the committees have not yet completed their work, but are expected to do so. This is an important matter, and every man must do his duty. Many townships of the county have gone "Over the Top", and Paw Paw must and will. Get busy committees who have not finished your districts, and boost Paw Paw to the top.

Next week will see a full week of class Grand Circuit Racing in Kalamazoo. It will be hard to pick the day to go, for it will be an evenly balanced program all the week. The best horses in the world, and all the well known drivers and race track celebrities will be there, and it will be a grand week of sport. General Kennedy and staff of Camp Custer have accepted an invitation to be guests of the association and will occupy a box at the track on Wednesday. Many from this county are planning to attend at least one day during the week.

George (Feeble) Howe has been the guest of his brothers and sisters here the past week. George is a lieutenant in the Navy, and since the war began has been commander of a submarine. He graduated from the Naval Academy at Annapolis four years ago, and since that time has won for himself an enviable record in Uncle Sam's fighting forces. He has a magnificent physique, weighs 220 pounds and is as hard as stone. He is modest in appearance and conversation, and an ideal officer. The next promotion which will come soon, will be to Lieutenant Commander, which rank corresponds to Major in the Army. The rank he now holds of lieutenant, is the same as Captain in the army. This is George's first visit home since war was declared.

Dr. F. A. Racette returned Monday from a week end motor trip to his old home in Muskegon.

Miss Christine Carr returned Monday from a two weeks vacation spent in Grand Rapids and other nearby points.

W. R. Helms and wife of Florida arrived in Paw Paw the first of the week for a visit with old time neighbors and friends.

Mrs. Jesse Barton entertained her daughter, Mrs. H. B. Buck and family of Kalamazoo from Wednesday until Sunday last week.

Father McQueen of Kalamazoo gave a brilliant address at the St. Mary's Service Flag dedication last Sunday. Father Crowley and Eugene Welch of that city accompanied him to Paw Paw and assisted in the services.

R. W. Broughton went to Grand Rapids on Tuesday to attend a meeting of the Republican State Central committee of which he is a member from the Fourth Congressional district.

There was a happy reunion at the Barton home July Fourth, when Mrs. Barton's children, Ralph Jennings and family of Paw Paw and Mrs. Will Nelson and family of Lawton came to spend the day with Mother.

A baby boy was born to Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Gilkey last Saturday, but lived only a few minutes. The mother is getting along nicely, but both parents feel the loss keenly. They have the sympathy of a host of friends in their sorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. John Vickers of Chicago spent the week end with their daughters, Mrs. Leland Benwire and Mrs. Harley Bowman and families. Their little grand daughter, June returned home with them for a two weeks visit.

The Surgical Dressings Shop now has a Red Cross flag of its own. The ladies are still waiting for their quota and announce that when it comes, the flag will be hung in front of the rooms as a signal that the ladies are all wanted for work. Watch for the Red Cross flag.

W. H. Markillie, for many years a resident of Paw Paw, died in Gobleville, June 28th. He was born in Lincolnshire, England, December 6th, 1848 and came to Van Buren county with his parents when a baby, and this county has been his home since that day. He leaves a widow, and one son, Glenn of this place.

Special mention should be made of the patriotic gift of Mrs. E. L. Elliott to the local Surgical Dressings department of the Red Cross. Mrs. Elliott made with her own hands a large American flag to be hung from the windows of the Surgical Dressing Shop on Main street. She worked early and late to finish the flag in time for the Fourth of July, and on the morning of that day, the flag hung as planned from the windows of the shop.

An immense crowd saw the Matinee Racing at Hartford on July 4th, and everyone appeared to be satisfied with the program. There were four races during the afternoon, and in the "Class C Trot", Karl the Benton Harbor stepper made the half mile in 1:06 1/2. This time was considered remarkable on a half mile track. Horsemen are loud in praise of the Hartford track, claiming it to be one of the fastest in the state. Charles Hicks of this place officiated as one of the judges. The splendid Bloomingdale band added much to the enjoyment of the afternoon. This band is without question one of the finest musical organizations in Southern Michigan, and it is a real pleasure to hear them on any occasion. They furnished music during the afternoon and remained to participate in the patriotic program at Ely Park in the evening.

Dr. C. E. Welch of Westfield, N. Y. and Dr. C. W. Johnson of Lawton were in Paw Paw last Tuesday morning. Dr. Welch is the original "Welch Grape Juice Man", and is looking forward to a branch factory in Van Buren county. He has bought an acre and a half tract of land in the village of Lawton facing Main street and adjoining the M. C. Ry. tracks. It is now too late to erect a factory there this year, but two thousand tons of grapes have been contracted, and a factory will probably be built there next season. The grapes this year will be crushed in Lawton, and the juice shipped east to the factory for bottling. The price paid for the grapes contracted is \$55.00 per ton. Another factory in Van Buren county will be a big boost for the grape industry here. It will make three big factories in Antwerp township, and one at Paw Paw only four miles away. It will put this section of the Grape Belt on the map as one of the greatest grape juice centers in the world.

Mrs. Rachel A. Bailey is in Grand Rapids for a two weeks visit.

George Chapman of Dowagiac called on Paw Paw friends the first of the week.

Delos Mitchelson and wife, Mrs. Holser and Mrs. Graham motored to Paw Paw Lake and Coloma last Sunday.

The Misses Dorothy and Virginia Chase of South Haven are the guests of their cousins Rachel and Gertrude Bailey this week.

Ray Clark was calling on Paw Paw friends on Tuesday. Ray is in the shoe business at Carthage, Missouri, and with his wife is spending a vacation at the home of his parents, east of Lawton.

Some of the grape growers east of town have contracted their grapes to the Juice factories at \$55.00 per ton, while others believe that the price is not high enough. They point out that the crop this year will be much lighter than last on account of the freeze, and yet the price offered is practically the same.

Private Charles J. Manning spent the week end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Manning Jr., who was formerly situated at Camp Grant but is now encamped at Chicago waiting for motor trucks in which his company expect to make trips to Baltimore. He is a member of the 311th, Supply Train.

A letter from Clyde Grice states that after being rejected three times, he has finally been accepted in the Aviation section of the army as Air-Plane mechanic. He has had but a few days of army life, but states that he is delighted with it. He is a member of Aero Squadron No. 877, Aviation Repair Depot, Dallas, Texas.

The annual Paw Paw Community picnic was held at Englehart's Resort Four Mile lake on Wednesday of this week. These are pretty busy times yet there were something over three hundred people present, and a splendid time is reported. A fine dinner was served at noon and the usual games including base ball took up the afternoon.

Mrs. Fannie Mitchelson sends a letter of appreciation for the prize won in the Missing Word contest. She wonders how many, especially among the older readers, who really appreciate the paper, and the efforts made by those in charge to make it the best possible. She also calls attention to the paper's generosity in sending each issue to the soldier boys at the front and in camp.

"Killefer is the strong Cog in the Cub Machine" is the headline of a story written for the Kalamazoo Gazette on Wednesday. Killefer has "Made" the Cubs, says the writer and is of more value to the team than even the great Alexander had he remained. Base ball critics give Killefer the honor of being the "All American Back Stop" and class him as the greatest catcher in either big league in the game today.

A company of young people were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hoodemaker in honor of Miss Dorothy Tracy, who is visiting relatives in Almena from Constantine. The evening was spent in games and an enjoyable time was reported by all. Miss Tracy was a member of this years graduating class from the Constantine High school and has been visiting in different parts of the state the past few weeks.

Rev. James C. Brown who has occupied the pulpit at the Christian church for the past two Sundays has accepted a call to the pastorate of that church. Mr. Brown is a graduate of the U. of M. He is a young man of modern ideas, believing that the church is in the community to serve in making a better place in which to live. In this spirit we welcome Mr. Brown and his wife to our community.

At the annual school meeting in the Richmond district east of town, James Bale was elected director vice Wallace White. It was voted to hold a meeting at the school house next Monday evening to discuss the Van Buren county farm agent's proposition. Some of the farmers of that neighborhood are of the opinion that the benefits derived are not commensurate with the expense of maintaining a county farm bureau.

Following are the newly elected officers of the local I. O. O. F. lodge who were installed last Friday night. J. A. Reid, N. G.; W. H. Weatherwax, V. G.; Roy Harrington, R. S.; Jas. Walker, F. S.; G. J. Earnsberger, Treas.; C. C. Chappell, R. S. N. G.; H. E. Ball, L. S. N. G.; Melvin Young, W.; Charles Harris, C.; E. G. Olin, O. G.; Verne Williams, J. G.; E. Walker, R. S. S.; A. Burt, L. S. S.; W. E. Nichols, R. S. V. G.; F. W. Gibbs, L. S. V. G.; M. H. Young, Chaplain.

M. C. Wheaton and daughters of this place and W. J. Wheaton and wife of Lansing are at the Wheaton cottage at Three Mile lake for an outing.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Mitchelson, J. Harrison and sister, Mrs. Graham, and Miss Gertrude Willis motored to Benton Harbor and St. Joe on the Fourth.

Cyril E. Bailey who was at Camp Meade, Md., has moved to Camp Zachary, Taylor, Kentucky. He is in Battery No. 10, Field Artillery Officers Training camp. He writes "Camp Taylor was practically cleaned out just before we came. Thirty thousand men having been sent overseas from here. The camp is now to be used for Officers Training camps and as an artillery center. A large range is being built at West Point and also additional barracks, so that accommodations will be had for fifty three thousand artillerymen."

The True Northerner's Missing Word contest closed with last weeks issue. Mrs. Wm. K. Miller of Route No. 6, won the first prize, and Mrs. Frank Nelson of Route No. 3, the second. A lively interest was maintained in the contest to the finish, and it would be a safe bet that this page of advertising has been read and re-read more times and by more people than any page in the paper. The prizes have all been distributed, and we sincerely trust that the awards each week have met the approval of readers and advertisers alike.

Judge David Anderson went to Madison, Wisconsin on Wednesday to argue the Healy case before the Circuit Court there. This case grows out of the auto accident in which Carl Healy lost his life. Attorneys Earl Burhans and David Anderson appeared before the Industrial Commission of Wisconsin soon after the accident and succeeded in obtaining an allowance of \$3,000 under the Industrial Accident laws of that state. The company employing Healy at the time of his death appealed the case to the Circuit Court. Judge Anderson expects to be home on Saturday.

Mr. Reeves announces "The Auction Block" as the feature at the Idle Hour theatre for this Friday and Saturday nights. This is Rex Beach's famous story in picture. It contains eight reels, and promises to be one of the best features of the year. "Over the Top" will be one of the features for next month. This is one of the new ones, which is creating such intense interest all over the country. Mr. Reeves is fortunate to secure this feature so soon after its release. The date for this one will be announced soon. In the meantime remember "The Auction Block" tonight and Saturday night. Regular prices of admission.

Two Carrier pigeons stopped at Paw Paw this week, and no one knows from whence they came, or whether they were bound. One stopped at the home of Elmer Owen north of town last Sunday night, and evidently thought it had reached the end of its journey. On one leg was a metal band, inscribed 18-U. S. No. 844. On the other leg was a rubber band, evidently used to fasten a message, but there was no message when the bird was found. The other pigeon stopped on the ledge of a window of the Masonic Lodge rooms last Tuesday evening. The Eastern Star was in session and the bird was picked up and cared for by some of the ladies. This one had a metal ring on each leg, one reading S. B. H. C. 1916, and the other No. 958. Both birds are undoubtedly from some army camp, and an effort is being made to ascertain where they belong.

The Republican State Central Committee in session in Grand Rapids on Tuesday named Thursday, September 26th, as the date for the next State Republican convention which will convene in that city. Senator Charles E. Townsend will preside as temporary chairman, and an invitation is extended to ex-President Roosevelt ex-President Taft and Hon. Wm. H. Hays the new chairman of the National committee to be present and address the convention. This convention will nominate a state ticket except governor and lieutenant governor or who will be nominated in the primaries. County conventions to name delegates to this state convention will be held throughout the state on Tuesday, September 10th. A resolution favoring the woman suffrage constitutional amendment was recommended to the state convention by the vote of 18 to 3. No effort was made to endorse any candidate for the United States Senate, the members of the committee believing that the selection of any candidate for office on the republican ticket was the province of the republican voters of the state without any suggestions or endorsements from the state committee.

Claude Snow and family were in Kalamazoo on Wednesday.

Miss Irene Lane returned home Wednesday from a visit with relatives in Kalamazoo.

Mrs. Cora Nower of Kalamazoo was the guest of relatives here the latter part of last week.

Bert Colburn and family spent Thursday and Friday of last week with relatives in Otsego.

Mrs. Royal T. Hall of Grand Rapids arrived Monday to spend the summer at the home of her mother, Mrs. Bertha North.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mosier have been spending part of the week visiting at the home of their son Carl and family in Dowagiac.

Masters Elmer and Francis Dorstewitz are spending a part of their vacation at the home of their grand parents near Watervliet.

Charles Sheldon and Miss Agnes Morrison motored to Grand Rapids and spent the Fourth at the home of her sister, Mrs. Horace McDonald.

Mrs. Jane Hutchins is entertaining two brothers, one from Nebraska and one from Alaska who surprised her by their appearance here Sunday.

Mrs. Juliette R. Walker, whose maiden name was Terry, was born in Edinboro, Penn., on August 3rd, 1833 and died in Paw Paw July 6th, 1918. She with her husband came to Paw Paw over fifty-three years ago and this has been her home since that time. She was a faithful member of the M. E. church, having joined in 1877 under the ministry of Rev. J. K. Stark. Her husband died in 1907. She leaves three sons, Frank A., George H., and Samuel M., one sister, twelve grand children and eleven great grand children, besides a host of friends to mourn her. Services were held in the M. E. church conducted by her pastor. Burial was in Prospect Valley cemetery.

Editors and publishers of country and weekly papers in Michigan will meet at the Michigan Agricultural college on August 1, 2 and 3 for a three days conference. During the course of the sessions, an invitation to attend which has been issued by the college to every editor of a rural paper within the state, the newspapermen will hear addresses by famous editors and workers in the country newspaper field, by representatives of the food and finance administrations in Washington, and by a number of Michigan's keenest country newspaper editors and publishers. The conference will concern itself with problems of the country press and with issues of moment in these present war times.

FAREWELL SERVICE

A Union Farewell service was held at the Baptist church in Paw Paw on Sunday evening, July 7th, in honor of Rev. C. H. Heaton and family. Rev. Heaton will leave this week for Chaplain's Training Camp at Louisville, Kentucky where he will take a five weeks course of training. The house was crowded with his friends of which he has a large number from all the churches in the village, as well as the community at large. The Men's League attended the service in a body and took charge of the music of the evening. Rev. Percy Nickless of the Presbyterian church presided at the service, and after the opening exercises introduced Mr. E. O. Hawley who represented the citizens of Paw Paw and community, and who responded to the subject, Mr. Heaton as a citizen. Mr. E. A. Aseltine responded in behalf of the Baptist church and spoke very highly of the work of Mr. Heaton and wife, and of the appreciation which the church felt for his services in the past four years. Rev. Trot of the M. E. church spoke in behalf of the ministers of the churches of the village and gave great credit to Mr. Heaton for the unity of spirit which exists between the churches of Paw Paw.

It has been expected that Rev. Heaton would deliver a Farewell Address, but on account of having had his tonsils removed and the delicate condition of his throat, he was unable to do so, but responded very cordially to the kind words which had been spoken of him and his work. At the close of the service an opportunity was given for all to shake hands with Rev. and Mrs. Heaton, and Mr. Heaton's mother, and to wish him God speed in his new mission.

Rev. Rushbrook of Kalamazoo will supply the pulpit at the Baptist church during the coming five weeks, the church having given Mr. Heaton a Leave of Absence during the training period. If he succeeds in passing a successful examination and receiving a commission, of which there is very little doubt, it is quite probable that the church will settle a Pastor at an early date.